

Important Resources

Use these resources to make a plan.
In the case of a life-threatening emergency, dial 911.

Statewide Contacts

American Red Cross of Indiana
Provides short-term sheltering and other services in disasters.

Phone: 888-684-1441

National Disaster Distress Helpline
Provides mental health assistance in disasters.

Phone: 800-985-5990

Text: TalkWithUs to 66746

TTY: 800-846-851

Local Contacts

Click on the links below to find local agencies. Local agencies may be able to direct residents to additional resources in a disaster.

[County Emergency Management Agency Search](http://www.in.gov/dhs/files/County_EMA_Directory.pdf)

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[Local Fire Department Search](http://apps.usfa.fema.gov/census/search)

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More Information

View the following websites for more information about preparing for a disaster. Many of these sites include specific information for individuals with access and functional needs.

[GetPrepared.IN.gov](http://www.getprepared.in.gov)

State of Indiana website

[CDC.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

Center for Disease Control website

[Disability.gov](http://www.disability.gov)

U.S. federal government website

[NOD.org](http://www.nod.org)

National Organization on Disabilities website

[Ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov)

Federal Emergency Management Agency website

[RedCross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

American Red Cross website

Individuals with Access
and Functional Needs/
Persons with Disabilities:

What to do in a Disaster



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Stay Safe: Housing Options In a Disaster

Stay in Place

In some cases, sheltering in place is possible after a disaster. Prepare for a potential disaster, and know what to do during a disaster.

- ☐ Maintain a supply of the following items at home, at a minimum, to be used in a disaster:
 - ☐ At least 1 gallon of water per person/service animal, per day
 - ☐ At least a 3-day supply of canned goods and other non-perishable food items
 - ☐ Blankets, sleeping bags, warm clothing, etc.
 - ☐ Battery-operated flashlights with extra batteries
 - ☐ All hazards weather radio (battery or crank)
- ☐ Have back-up medical devices and supplies (batteries, oxygen tanks, eye glasses, etc.) in appropriate quantities and make sure they are easily accessible
- ☐ Find a safe place in your home; avoid areas where large items may fall, causing injury or entrapment

Seek Shelter

If the home becomes unsafe in a disaster, seek out an **emergency shelter**.
Contact **888-684-1441** to find a nearby **American Red Cross Shelter**.
Individuals with life-threatening medical conditions should go to a hospital.

Bring the following items with you to a shelter:

- ☐ Personal identification and insurance cards (driver's license, Social Security card, etc.)
- ☐ Medications and prescriptions (minimum 3-day supply) and list of all medications
- ☐ Personal mobility devices (canes, crutches, walkers, etc.)
- ☐ Back-up devices and medical supplies (batteries, oxygen tanks, eye glasses, etc.)
- ☐ Instruction manuals and serial numbers for medical devices
- ☐ List of people to contact in case of injury or illness
- ☐ Service animal (including their records, medications, specific foods, etc.)
- ☐ Any comfort items (special clothing, blankets, books, etc.)
- ☐ Communication devices and chargers (cell phone, tablet, any assistive or adaptive devices)

Make A Plan

Designate two individuals to call during a disaster (make sure one person is outside of the area).

Person 1:

Name: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Person 2:

Name: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Write down names and numbers of primary healthcare and/or service providers.

Provider 1:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Provider 2:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: (_____) _____